(d) Yes Sir,

A Rubat Officer has been posted to CGI, Jeddah since April 1990 who has been engaged primarily in the documentation for retrieval/re-establishment of these Rubats.

(e) Since 1990, it has been possible to help retrieve five rubats and make them operational for the benefit of pilgrims from India. It has also been possible to complete the documentation in respect of a number of other rubats with the help of the Rubat Officer. Government propose to continue the activity in the interest of the retrieval of Rubats and their management.

US Ultimatum to Pakistan Regarding Terrorism

3621. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA : Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the US Government has given an ultimatum to Pakistan that it will not permit terrorism in Kashmir or Panjab;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto; and

(c) whether Government propose to seize the opportunity to take up the matter with US and seek their help to put down terrorism by Pakistan on the border of Pakistan and J and K ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH) : (a) The US Administration has decided for the present, not to name Pakistan as a State sponsor of terrorism. The State Department's officially stated *inter-alia* that "available information did not warrant a finding that Pakistan has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terrorism". However, Government understand that the US Government has reportedly made several demarches to the Government of Pakistan that unless it took steps to prevent support to terrorism in India, Pakistan would run the risk of being named as a State sponsor of terrorism. It has also been reported that an affirmative determination on Pakistan's support to terrorism has been deferred and a fresh view would be taken by the US administration after monitoring Pakistan's activities. Such a determination could be made by US Administration at any time.

(b) Government believe that it is for the US Government to interpret and act according to its relevant laws on this subject.

(c) The issue has been taken up at various levels in bilateral discussions between India and the US. Government have prepared extensive documentation on Pak support to terrorism in India. This documentation has been provided to the US Administration.

Government's stand on NPT

3622. *SYED SIBTEY RAZI : Will the* Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's are firm on non signing the nuclear Non-Prolifaration Treaty despite persuation by certain foreign dignitaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government's stand on this issue has since been conveyed to certain foreign dignitaries;

(d) if so, the names of such foreign dignitaries;

(e) whether N. P. T. is due in 1995; and

(f) if so, whether Government would stick to its present stand and if not, reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DINESH SINGH) : (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Does Not Arise.

(c) Yes Sir.

(d) The Prime Minister in his meetings with President Bush of USA; Prime Minister Miyazawa of Japan; Prime Minister John Major of Great Britain; President Yeltsin of the Russian Federation and Chanceller Kohl of the Federal Republic of Germany explained Government's principled position on this issue.